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Erin – Here's a shot at some simple/quick answers (see below) but take a look at these additional resources:

- I've attached a doc that was prepared for Chris' trip to last year's international summit in Italy that has some similar Q/As on budget. This Q/A is way longer than you need and covers all sorts of other things but at least you can see how we answered this type of question before.
- Another good source of info is ye olde Compliance Report: <https://www.epa.gov/vehicle-and-engine-certification/compliance-activity-reports-vehicles-and-engines>
- Here's the link to the most recent fees guidance document: https://iaspub.epa.gov/otaqpub/display_file.jsp?docid=38117&flag=1

Copying Lynn and Mike in case they have better answers on fees.

- J. -

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Inquiry:

I'm looking for some basic information on the Ann Arbor lab for testing and certifying vehicles

How many vehicles are tested each year? EPA tests about 300 light duty vehicles a year at the Ann Arbor lab. The lab also conducts test on heavy duty vehicles and on highway and nonroad engines.

How many are certified? EPA issues close to 4,000 certificates a year covering literally millions of vehicles and engines ranging from lawn mowers to locomotives. In a typical year EPA will issue several hundred light-duty vehicle certificates. A typical certificate covers more than one vehicle model.

How many people are currently employed there? *Please get mike haley or lee to answer this question*

What sorts of fees do automakers/OEMs pay for certification? Fee rates are adjusted each year based on a formula spelled out in the fees regulation. For the 2017 calendar year, the fee for a light duty certificate is \$24,770

What is the total amount automakers/OEMs pay in fees each year? The total amount depends on the number of certificates manufacturers request but is normally about \$20M, again covering all categories of vehicles and engines.

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Importance: High

Hi all,

See the questions about the certifications, and lab budget and staffing below. I can dig through old VW responses to help but wanted to pass along right away.

Thanks,
Erin

E&E News
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I'll run your info by OPS once you've got a draft together.

Thanks,
Christie

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